Strategic Prevention Framework State Incentive Grant SPF-SIG

Advisory Council Meeting Indiana Government Center Conference Room C July 26th, 2006

Attendees: Jim Noffsinger, Sheila Nesbitt, Bob Levy, Jeanette Grissom, Steve Adams, Harold Kooreman, Heather McCarthy, Tammy Loew, Mark Frisbie Chair, Gary Williams, M.B. Lippold, Dennis Whichern, Rachel Friend, Cathy Boggs, Barbara Lucas, Jim Killen, Louise Anderson, Tom Rugh, Sue Uhl, Hal Thompson, John Viernes, Mary Lay, David Bozell, Matt Strittmatter, Paula Parker-Sawyers, Eric Wright, Jeff Barber, Lisa Hutcheson, Marcia French

- **I.** Welcome and introductions: Sheriff Mark Frisbie welcomed committee members and called the meeting to order.
- II. Approval of the Minutes: The minutes of the May 23rd, 2006 Advisory Council minutes were approved.
- III. Approval of the By-Laws: Kim Manlove reported that the Advisory Council By-Laws were ready for ratification by the Council. A motion was to approve them was offered and they were adopted unanimously.

IV. Updates:

- Project Staffing Report: Kim Manlove introduced Marcia French, the new SPF/SIG Project Coordinator.
- Finance Workgroup: John Viernes reported that the financial report remained unchanged from the May meeting.
- Executive Committee: Mark Frisbie reported that during the July Executive Committee that Eric Wright, Chair of the State Epidemiological Outcomes Workgroup (SEOW), had offered a preview of his report for the July meeting of the SAC and noted that his findings would be based on statewide data and they the SEOW was working aggressively to allow the RFP and Strategic Plan to be developed on schedule.
 - The Executive Committee created two additional workgroups; the Evaluation Workgroup and the Training and Outreach Workgroup and charged to begin their work immediately.
- Evaluation Workgroup: Bob Levy reported as Chair that the Evaluation workgroup had met twice to date. Committee membership is composed of three SAC members and three invited members, Rebecca Smith, Sheila Nesbitt and Lynn Montgomery. Bob acknowledged that the workgroup was getting a late

start but indicated his confidence they would quickly be up to speed. Bob identified the need for examples of existing evaluation plans which Marcia French was working to acquire. Other items of to the workgroup were models of distribution for communities, identifying planning grants and building a timeline which met the required time frame of the SPF/SIG Project.

Training and Outreach Workgroup: Paula Parker-Sawyers reported she had accepted the invitation to chair the Training and Outreach Workgroup. The workgroup had met and decided not to invite additional members at this time. She stated they had reviewed ideas for promotion and training and will be meeting Sept. 19th, November. 14th, and January. 16th.

V. SEOW Report:

Eric Wright reported the findings of the SEOW and distributed their recommended priorities and areas of concern for 2007 prevention funding. (SEE ATTACHMENT A)

VI. Council Deliberations:

The SPF/SIG Advisory Council discussed the SEOW's report at length and voted unanimously to accept it without ranking the priorities and the areas of concerns. The accepted SEOW report lists three recommended priorities and three areas of significant concern. The three recommended priorities represent problems that are statewide problems. The three areas of significant concern reflect challenges that affect fewer numbers of people but represent problems that may be particularly important among certain sub-populations, communities, or regions of the State.

The SEOW's state-wide prevention priorities as presented were:

- Prevent and reduce underage drinking and binge drinking among 18 to 25 year olds.
- Prevent the first use of tobacco among 12-17 year olds and reduce tobacco use among 18 to 24 year olds, blacks, and individuals with lower incomes and/or less than a high school education.
- Prevent the first use of marijuana among 12-17 year olds and reduce the use of marijuana among 18-25 year olds.

The SEOW's local prevention areas of concern as presented were:

- Prevent the first use and reduce the use of cocaine among 18-25 year olds.
- Prevent and reduce the abuse of prescription drugs among individuals 12 to 25 vears
- Prevent and reduce the use of methamphetamine among black youth and among white women and men 18 to 44 years of age.

The next steps in the project will be the finalization of a State Epidemiological Profile and the development of a Strategic Plan based on the priorities and areas of concern identified.

Other issues noted during the discussion were:

- A requirement of the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP) is that capacity building must take place and this must take place in the form of capacity building for prevention.
- In assessing capacity building in the State of Indian it will be necessary to factor in the resources that are already being expended for prevention efforts related to substances of abuse.
- Dr. Wright urged the Advisory Council to assist the SEOW efforts at in further data collection by contacting him with the names of those they know within the private sector that would be willing to release their data
- John Viernes raised the issue of existing Drug-Free Communities Grantees and the possibility they may have a right to first response for any new SPF/SIG. John Viernes and David Bozell will clarify this issue with Tom Deloe from Indiana SPF/SIG Project Officer for SAMHSA.
- Shelia Nesbitt from the Center for the Application of Prevention Technologies (CAPT) stated that in her experience CSAP provides funding through various mechanisms and doesn't want to duplicate funding with-in counties.

VII. Announcements:

Kim Manlove reported that he has established a list-serve for SPF-SIG members and that all workgroup meeting minutes will be emailed to all SAC members to facilitate better communication.

VIII. Next Meeting Date:

September 26th, at the IGCS in Rm. 19.